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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following references, copies enclosed with PTO-1449:

- The references in this Group include a review I. article Tenover, Clinical Microbiology Reviews, 82-101 (January 1988) entitled "Diagnostic Deoxyribonucleic Acid Probes for Infectious Diseases" as well as the references cited therein.
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Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

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